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Subj: CAREER SEA PAY AND SUBSISTENCE ENTITLEMENTS OF MEMBERS ASSIGNED TO MOBILE UNITS

Ref: (a) U. S. Coast Guard Pay Manual, COMDTINST M7220.29  
(series)  
(b) JFTR, Para U4105-B, U4125-A3b(2), and U4540  
(c) Personnel and Pay Procedures Manual, PPCINST M1000.2, Sec. 6-C-6, 2-B-9, and 2-B-16

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Purpose This ALPERSRU clarifies career sea pay and subsistence entitlements of members assigned to mobile units.

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What Is A Mobile Unit? Per Section 4-B-4 of reference (a), a mobile unit is:

- o Designated by the Commandant or his designee
- o Identified by individual OPFAC number
- o A unit whose members are not permanently assigned to a specific career sea pay eligible vessel, but who are expected to perform the unit's primary mission underway aboard several different career sea pay eligible vessels.

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Types of Mobile Units Mobile units include:

- o Law Enforcement Detachments (LEDETs)
- o Tactical Law Enforcement Teams (TACLETs)
- o Atlantic Area Fleet Training Groups (FTGs)
- o U.S. Forces Caribbean

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Career Sea Pay Entitlement Members assigned to mobile units are entitled to CONTINUOUS career sea pay on the same basis as members assigned to Coast Guard vessels, subject to two conditions:

If the member is assigned to a mobile unit billet to perform tasks which are administrative in nature, and does not Routinely	Then the member is NOT entitled to continuous career sea pay  Note: The member is
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deploy afloat	entitled to career sea pay only when actually deployed
to a mobile unit, and performs tasks that are NOT administrative in nature, and the member remains ashore for over 30 days (not including periods of leave)	NOT entitled to continuous career sea pay The member's entitlement to continuous career sea pay stops at 2400 on the 30th day, and will not restart until the member again gets underway See Figure 4-4, Rule 4, reference (a), for the method of computing the 30 day period.

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Subsistence Allowance for Enlisted Personnel      Normally, members assigned to mobile units performing duty underway are provided with rations-in-kind and are not entitled to a subsistence allowance.

If the member is	Then the member is
provided rations-in-kind while deployed  (NOTE: All Coast Guard cutters with a galley on board provide rations-in-kind)	NOT entitled to a subsistence allowance while underway
not provided rations-in-kind while deployed	authorized to continue to be paid his/her normal
assigned to a floating unit that operates a closed mess and the member must pay for meals	subsistence entitlement (Regular BAS or SEPRATS) concurrently while being paid career sea pay

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Per Diem While Underway      Under reference (b), members issued TAD orders to a Government vessel are NOT entitled to per diem.

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Travel Claims      Mobile unit members issued TAD orders are authorized to submit a travel claim to claim incidental expenses, e.g., laundry expenses, as described in paragraph U4540 of reference (b).

- o Such incidental expenses must be specifically authorized on the member's travel orders, must be reasonable, and approved by the mobile unit commanding

officer as necessary to the successful performance of the member's duties.

O Receipts are required for any incidental expenses exceeding \$75.

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Mobile Units and PERSRUs shall establish appropriate administrative measures, per reference (c), to ensure that only eligible members are paid continuous career sea pay and subsistence entitlements, and that continuous career sea pay entitlements are stopped if a member does not deploy and remains ashore in excess of 30 days.

PERSRUs shall record career sea pay and subsistence entitlements in PMIS/JUMPS by completing the appropriate Start and Stop transactions in SDA-II.

The following transactions are used to start and stop career sea pay entitlements:

When the following event occurs	PERSRU should use the following transaction
member reports aboard PCS to a mobile unit	a P 607 to start career sea pay
member assigned to a mobile unit remains ashore for a continuous period in excess of 30 days	a P 625 to stop career sea pay
member assigned to a mobile unit redeploys to an afloat unit after having been ashore for a continuous period in excess of 30 days	a P 607 to start career sea pay  (NOTE: Use the OPFAC of the member's mobile unit, NOT the OPFAC of the vessel on which the member is deployed)

The following transactions are used to stop and start subsistence entitlements when a mobile unit member serves underway on a vessel, which provides rations-in-kind.

When the following event occurs	PERSRU should use the following transaction
member reports aboard a vessel where rations-in-kind are provided	a P 625 to stop the member's normal subsistence entitlement  (NOTE: Timely input of this transaction at the time the member reports aboard the vessel is essential to minimize overpayment of the member)
member departs a vessel where rations-in-kind were provided	a P 607 to re-start the member's normal subsistence entitlement

When a mobile unit member is NOT provided rations-in-kind while serving on a vessel, the PERSRU is NOT required to submit a PMIS transaction related to subsistence. Mobile unit members deployed to a vessel where rations-in-kind are not provided, or to a floating unit that operates a closed mess, are authorized to continue to receive their normal subsistence entitlement (BAS or SEPRATS) while aboard the vessel.

PERSRUs should NOT use Action Code P 620 for mobile unit members.

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Directives  
Affected

The above provisions will be included/clarified in the next changes to references (a) and (c).

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Questions

Questions may be directed to the HRSIC Customer Service Team at 913-357-3540.

The contents of this ALPERSRU should be disseminated to all persons involved in the PMIS/JUMPS system who process transactions on mobile units.

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